

## INFORMATION REGARDING PSYCHOLOGY “ETHICS” EXAMINATION

### **Content/Scoring**

The written examination on the elements of practice essential to the public health, safety or welfare (“Ethics”) is based on the Wisconsin Statutes and Administrative Code Relating to the Practice of Psychology. It consists of 100 multiple choice questions to be completed in 1 hour and 40 minutes. Each question is worth one point. Candidates must receive a score of 80% correct or above to pass. The content for the exam is as follows:

<b><u>Chapter</u></b>	<b><u>Topic</u></b>
Ch. 48	Children’s Code
Ch. 51.61	Patients Rights
Ch. 455	Psychology Examining Board
Ch. 905	Evidence – Privileges
Ch. 938	Juvenile Justice Code – Disposition
Ch. 940	Crimes Against Life & Bodily Security
Ch. 948	Crimes Against Children
Psy 1	Authority and Definitions
Psy 5	Conduct

### **Exam Day**

Please appear at the time scheduled on your admission letter. Free parking is available across the street from the Washington Square Building on N. Dickinson Street. Be prepared to present both your admission letter and a photo I.D. such as a driver’s license. A #2 pencil should be used to take the test. Please note that the Board may withhold the score of an applicant who gives or receives unauthorized assistance during examinations. Your examination will be scored prior to your appearance before the Board. The Board will tell you your score during your interview. Passing candidates will receive a license as evidence of having passed the examination. Failing candidates may apply to retake the examination. An exam review is available for failing candidates only. For more information refer to sec. Psy 2.06 in your codebook.

### **Evaluation and Fairness**

The content and test construction process of the examination and candidate performance are periodically evaluated by the Department and the Psychology Examining Board to assure that the examination fairly and effectively assesses competencies necessary to practice as a psychologist.

### **Record Retention**

Passing grades of credentialed candidates are retained by the Department of Regulation and Licensing indefinitely in an electronic credential file. Failing grades are retained on file until replaced by passing grades. Answer sheets, examination products and examiner evaluation documents for the “ethics” examination are retained one year after the examination date. Records of specific examination content (“ethics” examination file copies) are retained for five years.

## INFORMATION REGARDING PERSONAL APPEARANCE (ORAL INTERVIEW)

The purpose of the oral interview is to discuss with candidates for licensure their intended area of practice, their approach to typical cases, and their understanding of the state laws and rules relating to the practice of psychology. Candidates will be asked questions related to the APA “Ethical Standards of Psychologists” to the extent that those standards are incorporated into the Board’s code of conduct. However, candidates are encouraged to be familiar with all APA ethical standards.

The approximate length of the interview is 15 minutes. In cases where 15 minutes is not sufficient candidates may be asked to return for a second interview.

Candidates will have approximately 10 minutes to read the questions and prepare responses before being admitted to the interview. Notes may be taken and brought to the interview if desired. Notes will be collected at the end of the interview.

When the interview is completed, there should be no interaction with candidates who may be waiting to be admitted to the oral interview.